REPORT/RECOMMENDATION TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY, CALIFORNIA AND RECORD OF ACTION

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February 25, 2003

FROM: KEN A. MILLER, Director

Department of Public Works - Transportation

SUBJECT: CEQA EXEMPTION FOR THE WEST VALLEY SLURRY SEAL PROJECT IN THE

SAN ANTONIO HEIGHTS AND MONTCLAIR AREAS

RECOMMENDATION: (1) Find that the project for the improvement of the West Valley Slurry Seal Project in the San Antonio Heights and Montclair areas is exempt under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Class 1, Section 15301(c) {Minor Alterations}; and (2) Approve the project as defined in the Notice of Exemption and direct the Clerk of the Board to post the Notice of Exemption.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION: The existing asphalt concrete paving along roadways in the San Antonio Heights and Montclair area has deteriorated and is in need of rehabilitation. The Department has reviewed the roadways listed below and has determined that they are in need of crack and slurry sealing within the limits shown:

<u>Road</u>	<u>Limits</u>	<u>Length</u>
Bellview Road	Euclid Crescent East N 0.14 Miles	0.14 miles
Bellview Road	24 th Street N & W to Euclid Crescent East	0.25 miles
Burt Street	24 th Street to 25 th Street	0.25 miles
Locust Street	End south to Roswell Avenue	0.11 miles
Park Blvd	Mountain Avenue loop to Mountain Ave.	0.74 miles
Vernon Avenue	Phillips Blvd. North to State Street	0.82 miles

The work will be performed within the existing road right-of-way. Environmental staff of the Advance Planning Division of the Land Use Services Department has reviewed this item and recommended a categorical exemption for this project. This project qualifies for an exemption in accordance with CEQA guidelines Section 15301(c). An exempt project allows for minor repairs and alterations with negligible expansion of the existing use. As such, when the Board considers the environmental findings, the filing of a Notice of Exemption is required.

REVIEW BY OTHERS: This item was reviewed by Deputy County Counsel Charles S. Scolastico on February 4, 2003 and by the County Administrative Office (Tom Forster, Administrative Analyst) on February 13, 2003.

FINANCIAL IMPACT: The action to find the project categorically exempt has minimal financial impact. A separate item will be brought to the Board to approve plans, specifications, and authorize advertisement for bids for construction of the project. The total project cost is estimated at \$47,000, which will be financed by Gas Tax funds included in the Fiscal Year 2002/2003 Transportation Budget (SAA-TRA-H13537).

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